

**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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**MAIL STOP RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application.

1.  Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
  - a.  Previously submitted
    - i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed electronically on July 12, 2006.  
(Any unentered amendments referred to above will be entered).
    - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
    - iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Enclosed

i.  Amendment/Reply      iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declarations      iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) **required**)

b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2065.001900.

i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii.  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_.

b.  Check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

c.  Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

Respectfully submitted,

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